IN THE CLAIMS:

Please find below a listing of all of the pending claims. The statuses of the claims are set forth in parentheses.

1.   (Currently Amended) An end user device for receiving an electronic program guide from a head end, said end user device comprising:

data entry interface for receiving an input of a program request, wherein said program request identifies a particular program being requested;

memory for receiving said electronic program guide from said head end; and

search means for searching said electronic program guide for said particular, requested program in said program request, wherein if said particular, requested program request is not in said electronic program guide in said memory, said search means sends said program request to said head end.

2.   (Original) The end user device of claim 1, wherein said data entry interface comprises at least one of a radio frequency receiver to receive a signal from a wireless remote control, an infrared receiver to receive a signal from a wireless remote control, an universal serial bus interface, or keyboard interface.

3.   (Original) The end user device of claim 1 further comprising a data port.

4.   (Original) The end user device of claim 3, wherein said data port comprises at least one of a universal serial bus interface, a firewire interface, an Ethernet interface, a coaxial cable interface, or an optical interface.

5.   (Currently Amended) A head end for receiving a program request from an end user

device, said head end comprising:

a first memory for storing an electronic program guide, said electronic program guide

being sent from said first memory to said end user device; [[and]]

a second memory for receiving a program request from said end user device for a

particular program that is not in the electronic program guide in the end user device; and

an interactive server, said interactive server receiving said program request not in said

electronic program guide from said end user device, storing a count of a plurality of received

program requests for the particular program not in an electronic program guide of each of one

or more end user devices and comparing a count to a trip limit, and said interactive server

selectively adding said particular program to one of said electronic program guide in the end

user device or an extended database schedule based on the comparison of the count to the trip

limit.

6.-7.   (Canceled).

8.   (Currently Amended) A system for an interactive electronic program guide, said

system comprising:

an end user device, said end user device receiving a program request to query an

electronic program guide for a particular program; and

a head end coupled to said end user device, said head end supplying an electronic

program guide to said end user device, said end user device searching said electronic program

guide for said particular, requested program request, wherein if said particular, requested

program request is not in said electronic program guide said end user device sends said

program request to said head end.

9.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 8, wherein said end user device

comprises:

        a processor, said processor managing interaction with said electronic program guide;

        a tuner coupled to said processor, said tuner receiving said program in said request if

the program in the request is currently being transmitted from the head end and

        one or more storage devices coupled to said processor, said one or more storage

devices storing an electronic program guide and the program request not in said electronic

program guide.

10.   (Original) The system of claim 9 further comprising an input port coupled to said

processor.

11.   (Original) The system of claim 10, wherein said input port comprises at least one of a

radio frequency receiver to receive a signal from a wireless remote control, an infrared

receiver to receive a signal from a wireless remote control, an universal serial bus interface,

or keyboard interface.

12.   (Original) The system of claim 9, wherein said end user device further comprises a

data port.

13.   (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein said data port comprises at least one of a universal serial bus interface, a firewire interface, an Ethernet interface, a coaxial cable interface, or an optical interface.

14.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 8, wherein said head end comprises an interactive server, said interactive server receiving said program request not in said electronic program guide from said end user device, said interactive server selectively adding said program request to one of said electronic program guide or extended database schedule in response to receiving a plurality of requests for the particular program from one or more end user devices and in response to a count of the plurality of requests being greater than or equal to one or more trip limits the quantity of cumulative requests for said program request not is said electronic program guide.

15.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 8 further comprising an external interactive server, said external interactive server receiving said program request not in said electronic program guide from said head end, and selectively adding said program request to one of said electronic program guide or extended database schedule in said head end in response to receiving a plurality of requests for the particular program from one or more end user devices and in response to a count of the plurality of requests being greater than or equal to one or more trip limits the quantity of cumulative requests for said program request not is said electronic program guide.

16.   (Original) The system of claim 8 further comprising a monitor display coupled to said end user device.

17.   (Original) The system of claim 8 further comprising a television display coupled to said end user device.

18.   (Original) The system of claim 8 further comprising a personal computer coupled to said end user device.

19.   (Original) The system of claim 8 further comprising an audio output device coupled to said end user device.

20.   (Currently Amended) A method for providing an interactive electronic program guide, said method comprising:

  receiving a program request <u>identifying a particular program being requested;</u>

  querying an electronic program guide for said request;

  supplying a result of said request, wherein said result provides a matched indication, said matched indication providing a next broadcast time period in said electronic program guide for said request; or a miss indication, said miss indication providing data indicating that said request was not found in said electronic program guide; and

  selectively adding <u>said particular program</u> ~~request of said miss indication~~ to at least one of said electronic program guide or extended database in response to <u>a plurality</u> ~~quantity~~ of ~~said~~ miss indications for said ~~request~~ <u>particular program.</u>

21.   (Original) The method of claim 20 further comprising the step of receiving said

request from at least one of a wireless remote control, a universal serial bus port interface, a

keyboard, a firewire interface, an Ethernet interface.

22.   (Original) The method of claim 20 further comprising a step of updating said

electronic program guide.

23.   (Original) The method of claim 20 further comprising a step of updating said extended

database.

24.   (Original) The method of claim 20 further comprising a step of receiving said

electronic program guide.